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APPLICANTS : Gers-Barlag et al.
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FOR : Emulsifier-Free Finely Dispersed Systems of the Water-in-Oil Type
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

1. Timeliness, Fees and Certifications in lieu of Fees

☐ A. This information disclosure statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the application, or within three months of entry into the national stage, or before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(b), consideration of this information disclosure statement does not require a fee or a statement under 37 CFR § 1.97(e). However, should the Assistant Commissioner determine that a fee is, in fact, due, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

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this information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR § 1.56 more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

- ☐ C. This information disclosure statement is being filed after the period specified in B above, but on or before the payment of the issue fee. Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(d), consideration of this information disclosure statement requires a petition, which Applicants hereby request, and payment of the petition fee, which is set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(i), and which the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 14-1263. Consideration of this information disclosure statement also requires a statement under 37 CFR § 1.97(e):
- ☐ 1. Applicants hereby state that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.
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II. Copies of Listed References

- ☒ A. Copies of all references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being supplied.
- ☐ B. Copies of all references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 have already been supplied during the prosecution of prior application Serial No. _____, filed _____, from which the present application claims priority pursuant to 35 USC § 120. Therefore, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.98(d), copies of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are not now being supplied.
- ☐ C. This application is a PCT national stage application, all references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were cited in the international search report, and PCT/DO/EO/903 indicates that both the international search report and the copies of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are in this national stage file. Therefore, copies of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are not now being supplied.

III. Concise Statement of Relevance

- ☒ A. All references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are in the English language, and, therefore, a concise statement of relevance is not required.
- ☐ B. A concise statement of the relevance of all references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 that are *not in the English language*, is being provided on a separate sheet.
- ☐ C. All references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were cited in the search report issued by the _____ Patent Office, and an English-language version of that

search report, which indicates the degree of relevance found by that Patent Office, is attached.

- ☐ D. This application is a PCT national stage application, all references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were cited in the international search report, and a copy of that search report, which indicates the degree of relevance found by the International Search Authority, is attached.
- ☐ E. All listed on the attached Form PTO 1449 were cited during the prosecution of the prior application indicated above under II.B.

IV. Additional Information

- ☐ A. In addition to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the Examiner the following abandoned or co-pending U.S. patent applications:

[Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), copies of these applications are not being submitted.]

- ☒ B. In addition of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the Examiner the information provided on the attached sheet.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Information Disclosure Statement and the accompanying Concise Statement of Relevance of Non-English References, Additional Information, Form PTO-1449 (1 Sheets), Search Report, and 13 references are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as express mail, label no. EV 383033736 US in an envelope addressed to: Hon. Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date indicated below:

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Concise Statement of Relevance of Non-English References:



Additional Information:

In addition of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the Examiner the following applications' serial numbers:

09/455,230 Gers-Barlag et al. 12/6/99

09/641,013 Gers-Barlag et al. 8/17/00

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Examiner's Initial		Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Sub Class	Filing Date If appropriate
	A	5,939,054	08/1999	Msika et al.			
	B	6,080,430	06/2000	Ogawa et al.			
	C	6,022,530	02/2000	Gers-Barlag et al.			
	D	5,015,469	05/1991	Yoneyama et al.			
	E	5,853,711	12/1998	Nakamura et al.			
	F	4,814,165	3/21/89	Berg et al.			
	G	5,182,103	1/26/93	Nakane et al.			
	H	5,302,280	4/12/94	Lomas et al.			
	I	5,622,993	4/22/97	McGinity et al.			
	J	5,690,916	11/25/97	Kimura et al.			
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OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)							
	T	Product Literature for Bentone 38, May 11, 1999.					
	U	Product Literature for Bentone 27, December 20, 1996.					
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